

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in becoming licensed to practice your profession in the State of Nebraska. Prior to submitting your application for licensure, it is important that you be aware of certain aspects of the application process.

The application form includes a series of questions about an applicant's history regarding licensure, physical and mental health, criminal conduct, and for some professions, malpractice. I encourage you to read these questions carefully. It is expected that applicants answer these questions completely and truthfully. If others are assisting you in the completion of your application, make sure to review the information completely before signing the application. An adverse event in your past is not an automatic disqualification from licensure. The Board will review all of the information surrounding the event in making a determination of your fitness to practice medicine and surgery.

It is important that you fully disclose all arrests, charges or convictions. Questions on the application ask about charges or complaints filed against you by any licensing or disciplinary authority and also about charges or complaints filed against you by any criminal prosecution authority. Even if the charges were dropped, dismissed, pled down or settled through diversion or if the sentencing was deferred or the conviction was expunged, set aside or pardoned, you must provide this information on the application. Failure to fully disclose could be considered as misrepresentation on your application which is grounds to deny your application for licensure.

Applicants are asked whether you have ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony. Some offenses that most people would consider as minor violations are actually misdemeanors, so it is important that you thoroughly review your history in order to provide accurate information regarding convictions. You may want to contact the court or seek the advice of an attorney to determine whether an event in your past resulted in a misdemeanor or felony conviction.

Applicants should also be aware that it is the policy of the Licensure Unit that applications may not be withdrawn to avoid or circumvent a denial decision or to circumvent public records and reporting requirements. Understand prior to submitting your application that you may not be allowed to withdraw. Applicants who do not meet the requirements for licensure will be denied.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I hope my comments are helpful to you. If you have further questions regarding the application process, please contact the office at [dhhs.medicaloffice@nebraska.gov](mailto:dhhs.medicaloffice@nebraska.gov) or by telephone at 402/471-2118.

Sincerely,



Becky Wisell, Program Manager  
Medical and Specialized Health  
Licensure Unit

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR LICENSURE IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY AND OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

**COMPETENCY** Neb. Rev. Stat. 38-2026(4) states that an applicant for a license in medicine and surgery must present proof satisfactory to the Department that he or she, within the three years immediately preceding the application for licensure, (a) has been in the active practice of the profession of medicine and surgery in some other state, a territory, the District of Columbia, or Canada for a period of one year, (b) has had at least one year of graduate medical education as described in subdivision (2) of this section, (c) has completed continuing education in medicine and surgery approved by the board, (d) has completed a refresher course in medicine and surgery approved by the board, or (e) has completed the special purposes examination approved by the board.

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Examination **Applications can be based on: United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), National Boards of Medical Examiners (NBME), National Boards of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME), Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX), Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada (LMCC), or a State Board Examination.**

**All parts of the examination must be passed within ten years of passing the first examination. An applicant who fails to pass any part of the examination within four attempts must have completed one additional year of postgraduate medical education at an accredited school of medicine.**

**You must request that official documentation of passing scores obtained on all parts of each national examination you took be sent directly from the official repository of scores to this office (See below):**

**USMLE and FLEX** contact FSMB at (817) 868-4041 website at [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org)  
**NBME** (215) 590-9592 website at [www.nbme.org](http://www.nbme.org)  
**NBOME** (773) 714-0622 website at [www.nbome.org](http://www.nbome.org)  
**LMCC** (613) 521-6012

If you took a **State Board Examination** the Board of Medicine and Surgery will review the requirements under which you were licensed in the other state for comparability with Nebraska requirements. Please have the state in which you took the Board examination forward your scores to this office.

### **EDUCATION**

**US and Canadian Graduates:** A certified final transcript sent directly from the medical school is the only acceptable document to verify your completion of medical school. Substitutions, such as letters from the Registrar are NOT acceptable.

**Foreign Medical School Graduates:** Must use the enclosed Verification of Foreign Medical College form to verify your medical school. Please have your medical school complete the form and send it directly to this office.

The State of Nebraska does not accept FCVS at this time.

## **POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION**

**US and Canadian Graduates:** Must have completed one year of ACGME accredited postgraduate education, or postgraduate education as approved by the Nebraska Board. You must use the enclosed Certificate of Post-Graduate Medical Education Form. **These forms must come directly from the Program to the Board. Do not submit them with the application. Forms cannot be completed, mailed or signed before your completion date.**

**Foreign Medical School Graduates:** Must have completed three years of ACGME postgraduate education, or postgraduate education as approved by the Nebraska Board. You must use the enclosed Certificate of Post-Graduate Medical Education Form. **These forms must come directly from the Program to the Board. Do not submit them with the application. Forms cannot be completed, mailed or signed before your completion date.**

**Educational Equivalency** Foreign graduates must possess a permanent Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) Certificate that is Valid Indefinitely. You must request that an official ECFMG Certification Status Report be sent directly to this office from ECFMG (215) 386-5900 and the website is [www.ECFMG.org](http://www.ECFMG.org).

Fifth Pathway is also accepted and will require appropriate documentation.

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES** These must be listed for the last ten years or since graduating from medical college if less than ten years ago. Also, please list all periods of non-professional activity. **This information is to be completed on the application form. PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE CURRICULUM VITAE.**

**Criminal Background Check** A criminal background check is required for all applicants for an initial license in medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery. Standard processing time for background checks is 8-10 weeks. Background checks will not be expedited. **Please carefully follow the enclosed instructions for this procedure.**

**CONVICTION & LICENSURE INFORMATION** If you answer "Yes" to any question(s) on pages 5 and 6 of the application you will be required to provide additional information regarding the circumstances and outcomes. Please refer to page 9 of the application for specific information regarding the documentation required. After your application has been received, the Department/Board may request additional information based on your answers.

**LICENSURE IN OTHER STATES** List **ALL** states where you have ever held an active or inactive medical to include: residency in training/permits, locum tenens, temporary medical license, and/or permanent medical license. **You will need to have each state where you have ever held a license send a certification of licensure to this office.**

**PHOTOCOPY OF AN ACTIVE FEDERAL DEA CERTIFICATE** must be sent with the application if controlled substances will be prescribed, administered or dispensed by the licensee. This is not required for licensure.

***FEES*** **The expiration date for ALL Physicians and Osteopathic Physicians is October 1<sup>st</sup> of each even –numbered year. Determine the *month* and *year* in which you are submitting your application. Pay the amount in the corresponding box. The fees below could require you to pay an additional amount depending on when the license is issued.**

YEAR	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Even	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$300	\$300	\$300
Odd	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300

\*When a license will expire within 180 days after its initial issuance date the initial licensure fee is ¼ of the full fee. The full renewal fee will be due by October 1. You may request that your license be issued after October 1 by indicating that in writing with the application. Issuance of the license after October 1 will require the full \$300 fee.

**WITHDRAWAL/DENIAL OF APPLICATION** Once an application has been completed with all the required documents submitted, the applicant will not be allowed to withdraw the application. If the applicant does not meet the requirements for licensure, a denial will be issued.

**LICENSURE TIMELINE** Licenses will not be issued until all required documentation has been received and will be issued in date order. Applications are dealt with in a fair and equal manner. One application will not be expedited at the expense of another. Also, the less time specialists spend responding to duplicate e-mails and telephone calls, the faster applications can be reviewed. Please refer to the "Deadlines For Receipt of Licensure Applications and Supporting Documents" for more information. The Department has up to 150 days to act upon any completed application. We are unable to provide estimates of the time it takes to obtain a license, as each application timeline will be unique.

**LICENSE RENEWAL** The period for biennial renewal of medical licenses in the State of Nebraska is October 1<sup>st</sup> of even-numbered years. Renewal notices are mailed at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of your license. **It is your responsibility to keep this office advised of your current address so that correspondence will reach you.**

## Deadlines For Licensure Applications and Supporting Documents

For applications for a license to practice Medicine & Surgery, Osteopathic Medicine & Surgery, Locum Tenens and Temporary Educational Permits.

**Following are the deadlines for receipt of licensure applications and supporting documents for applications required to be reviewed by the Board of Medicine and Surgery.** Some applications will require review by the Board of Medicine and Surgery at their regular meeting. These deadlines will apply if the Department determines that your application will need Board review. Please submit your application according to this schedule, assuming that your application will be reviewed by the Board. If your application does not need Board review, you will receive a license document in the mail.

APPLICATION DEADLINES	DOCUMENT DEADLINE	MEETING DATE
December 13, 2012	January 3, 2013	January 25, 2013
February 1, 2013	February 21, 2013	March 15, 2013
March, 29, 2013	April 18, 2013	May 10, 2013
May 9, 2013	May 30, 2013	June 21, 2013
July 18, 2013	August 8, 2013	August 30, 2013
September 5, 2013	September 26, 2013	October 18, 2013
October 31, 2013	November 20, 2013	December 13, 2013
December 12, 2013	January 2, 2014	January 24, 2014

Application deadline: *The completed application form and check/money order must be received in the Licensure Unit office by this date. If you choose to mail your application Express or Overnight Delivery, please note that the delivery/signed for date may not reflect receipt of your application in our office. All mail is initially processed through a central mail room.*

**Documents deadline:** All supporting documents and additional information that our office requests must be received in our office by this date. Late submissions will cause your application to be reviewed at the next meeting date.

# CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

## Instructions

**Criminal Background Check Notification:** Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-131 (provided below), an applicant for an initial license to practice a profession which is authorized to prescribe controlled substances shall be subject to a criminal background check. Applicants are able to receive any national criminal history record that may pertain to them directly from the FBI, pursuant to 28 CFR Sections 16.30-16.34, and may then freely disclose any such information to whomever they choose. Applicants must authorize the dissemination of any national criminal history record that may pertain to them to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) when applying for licensure. Applicants are entitled to challenge the accuracy and completeness of any information contained in any such report and will be provided a copy of the criminal history background report, if any, received if they appear at the DHHS in person and present proper identification. Information on how to challenge an applicant's federal report can be found at FBI.gov. To challenge an applicant's Nebraska state record, contact the Nebraska State Patrol-Criminal Identification Division. Applicants may obtain a prompt determination as to the validity of their challenge before the DHHS makes a final decision about their application for licensure.

Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-131 - **Criminal background check; when required.** (1) An applicant for an initial license to practice a profession which is authorized to prescribe controlled substances shall be subject to a criminal background check. Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, the applicant shall submit with the application a full set of fingerprints which shall be forwarded to the Nebraska State Patrol to be submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record information check. The applicant shall authorize release of the results of the national criminal history record information check to the department. The applicant shall pay the actual cost of the fingerprinting and criminal background check. (2) This section shall not apply to a dentist who is an applicant for a dental locum tenens under section 38-1122, to a physician or osteopathic physician who is an applicant for a physician locum tenens under section 38-2036, or to a veterinarian who is an applicant for a veterinarian locum tenens under section 38-3335. (3) An applicant for a temporary educational permit as defined in section 38-2019 shall have ninety days from the issuance of the permit to comply with subsection (1) of this section and shall have his or her permit suspended after such ninety-day period if the criminal background check is not complete or revoked if the criminal background check reveals that the applicant was not qualified for the permit. Source: Laws 2005, LB 306, § 2; Laws 2005, LB 382, § 15; Laws 2006, LB 833, § 1; R.S.Supp., 2006, § 71-104.01; Laws 2007, LB247, § 60; Laws 2007, LB463, § 31; Laws 2007, LB481, § 2; Laws 2011, LB687, § 1. Effective Date: May 19, 2011.

### **FINGERPRINTING PROCEDURE – Please read and follow these instructions carefully to avoid delays in processing.**

Fingerprints must be obtained and submitted to the Department with your application for licensure. The Department is required to verify to the Nebraska State Patrol that you have made application for licensure in Nebraska prior to the Nebraska State Patrol processing your request for a criminal background check. The applicant must send the fee for the Criminal Background Check (\$38) separately, directly to the Nebraska State Patrol as explained below.

### **Criminal background checks are NOT expedited for any reason.**

1. **If you received a printed application from the Licensure Unit,** two fingerprint cards were enclosed. Take the fingerprint cards (2) to any State Patrol office or law enforcement agency. Contact information for the Nebraska State Patrol offices is included with these instructions. You must call ahead to schedule an appointment at the Nebraska State Patrol offices that have indicated appointments are required. Please note that some offices have limited hours when fingerprinting will be conducted.
2. **If you obtained your application online,** fingerprint cards can be obtained by contacting the Licensure Unit. Fingerprint cards may also be available at any State Patrol office or law enforcement agency. The fingerprint cards are the standard FBI Applicant format, form number FD 258, and are blue and white cards.
3. **DO NOT FOLD THE FINGERPRINT CARDS.**
4. **Live Scan** fingerprinting refers to both the technique and the technology used by law enforcement agencies and private facilities to capture fingerprints electronically, without the need for the more traditional method of ink and paper. Live Scan is available at all Nebraska State Patrol locations. If Live Scan is used to capture your fingerprints, the Nebraska State Patrol will print one card to be submitted to the Department with your application. Although other states may have Live Scan available, it is common that other states will not capture fingerprints using Live Scan for persons who are being fingerprinted for purposes outside of that state. Applicants outside of Nebraska may have traditional ink and paper fingerprints done where they are located, or they may travel to a Nebraska State Patrol location to use Live Scan.
5. **The Nebraska State Patrol does not charge for the service of taking your fingerprints. However, other law enforcement agencies in Nebraska or in other states may charge a fee.**
6. You must take one form of photo ID with you when obtaining your fingerprints. Acceptable forms of ID include a driver's license, visa or passport. If you are from a foreign country and do not have one of these forms of photo identification, provide any documentation issued by your country, legal sovereign or consulate.
7. Please print your full name, address with zip code, \*Social Security Number, date and place of birth, and physical identifiers on the fingerprint cards. **DO NOT sign the fingerprint cards until** the law enforcement officer has verified your signature with the

form of identification that you provide. **DO NOT write in the field labeled ORI.** In the space on the fingerprint cards marked "Reason Fingerprinted", you should print the following: "R & L Health Credentialing".

*\*Social Security Number: If you do not have a United States Social Security Number, you must provide in the "Miscellaneous No: MNU" section a Government issued identification number, a "consulate" number or a Passport Number. Please indicate the type of number provided.*

8. After the fingerprinting procedure is completed, the cards should **NOT** be given to you.

- If you obtained the cards from the Licensure Unit, request the person who took your fingerprints to place the cards in the envelope provided by the Licensure Unit along with your completed application for licensure, and mail the envelope to the Department.
- If you obtained the cards from a State Patrol office or other law enforcement agency, request the person who took your fingerprints to place the cards in an envelope provided by you (**DO NOT FOLD THE FINGERPRINT CARDS**) along with your completed application for licensure, and mail the envelope addressed to:

**Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit  
301 Centennial Mall South  
P.O. Box 94986  
Lincoln, NE 68509-4986**

9. **The fee for Criminal Background Check is to be sent separately, directly to the Nebraska State Patrol.** The fee is \$38.00 and may be paid by a personal check, money order, or cashier's check made payable to the Nebraska State Patrol. **When sending payment, it is important to include a note that clearly identifies the name of the person for whom the criminal background check is requested, and the type of license for which the person is applying.**

Payment must be mailed directly to:

**Nebraska State Patrol  
ATTN: CID  
3800 NW 12<sup>th</sup> Street STE A  
Lincoln NE 68521**

10. **\*\*This process takes several weeks for the results of your criminal background check to be received by the Department.\*\*** No licensing decision will be made until all information is received.

#### Office of the Nebraska State Patrol

#### Days/Hours that Fingerprinting Conducted

Troop A  
441 S 108<sup>th</sup> ST  
Omaha, NE 68137  
Phone: 402-331-3333

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(no appointment necessary)

**\*Temporarily due to staffing issues, Troop A is referring fingerprint requests for licensure purposes to the Douglas County Sheriff or the Sarpy County Sheriff. They plan to notify our office when more staff has been hired.\***

Troop B  
1401 Eisenhower AVE  
Norfolk NE 68701  
Phone: 402-370-3456

Usually on Tuesdays  
(appointment required)

Troop C  
3431 Potash  
Grand Island NE 68802  
Phone: 308-385-6000

Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to noon  
and from 1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.  
(appointment required)

Troop D  
300 West South River Rd  
North Platte NE 69101  
Phone: 308-535-8265 ext. 219

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
(appointment required)

Troop E  
4500 Avenue I  
Scottsbluff NE 69361  
Phone: 308-632-1211

Wednesdays after 1:00 p.m.  
(appointment required)

Criminal Identification Division (CID)  
3800 NW 12<sup>th</sup> ST STE A  
Lincoln NE 68521  
Phone: 402-479-4971

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
(appointment required)  
Last person fingerprinted at 4:00 p.m.

This form may be completed online and mailed to the address listed below.



Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health - Licensure Unit  
P.O. Box 94986 - Lincoln, Nebraska 68509  
Telephone #: 402-471-2118

Lic# \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE:

☐ **Medicine and Surgery**      ☐ **Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery**

(Please print or type application)

**Fee: \$300**

**Payable to: Nebraska Licensure Unit**

**\*original application required\***

**SECTION A – PERSONAL INFORMATION:** (All applicants must complete this section) Items 1 and 2 are public information. Name and Licensure information will be displayed on the INTERNET at <http://www.nebraska.gov/LISSearch/search.cgi>

**NOTE:** All mailings will be sent to the address you indicate below– if you change your address, you must advise this office.

1	Legal Name	First:	Middle Name:	Last:
	Maiden Name	Other Names you are known as (AKA):		
2	Mailing Address	Street/PO/Route:		
		City:	State or Country:	Zip:
3	Date of Birth:	Month/Day/Year:	Place of Birth (city/state/country):	Gender: M      F
4	Check the Appropriate Box(es)	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Number (SSN);	SSN#	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Alien Registration Number ("A#");	A#	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Form I-94 (Arrival-Departure Record) number	I-94 #	
		If you have both a SSN and an A# or I-94 number, you must report both. <a href="#">Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-123 mandates disclosure of your social security number to DHHS. Although your number is not public information, DHHS may disclose it for child support enforcement purposes and to the Nebraska Department of Revenue.</a>		
	Phone	Fax (optional)		
	Licensee E-mail Address	Credentialing contact e-mail Address (optional)		

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			<b>Federation</b>	Yes__	No__
<b>BOARD</b>	Yes__	No__	<b>NPDB</b>	Yes__	No__
			<b>NDEN</b>	Yes__	No__



**SECTION B – EXAMINATION (All application must complete this section)**

☐ I have requested that an official copy of my score reports for any and all of the national examinations that I have taken (check ALL that apply) be sent to your office:

Application by Examination:

☐ USMLE      ☐ NBME      ☐ FLEX      ☐ NBOME      ☐ LMCC

☐ Combination of USMLE/FLEX    ☐ Combination of USMLE/NBME

Application Based on License in Another State or Territory of the United States:

☐ State Exam (list state) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ I have requested a copy of my state examination from that Board

**Foreign medical graduates must indicate their ECFMG number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION C – EDUCATION (All applicants must complete this section)** List in chronological order, beginning with high school and ending with medical school, the name and location of all institutions attended. List the diplomas or certificates earned and dates received for all preliminary (high school), pre-medical education and medical education. (Attach additional pages if necessary).

**PRELIMINARY AND PRE-MEDICAL EDUCATION****NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL**

City/State/Country

Diploma/Certificate

Date: (MO/YR)

**NAME OF PRE-MEDICAL COLLEGE**

City/State/Country

Diploma/Certificate

Date: (MO/YR)

**NAME OF PRE-MEDICAL COLLEGE**

City/State/Country

Diploma/Certificate

Date: (MO/YR)

**MEDICAL EDUCATION****NAME OF MEDICAL SCHOOL**

City/State/Country

Attended

From (M/D/Y):

To (M/D/Y):

Degree Conferred

Date Conferred (M/D/Y):

**NAME OF MEDICAL SCHOOL**

City/State/Country

Attended

From (M/D/Y):

To (M/D/Y):

Degree Conferred

Date Conferred (M/D/Y):

**SECTION D- POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION** (All applicants must complete this section) Indicate whether service was Internship, Residency or Fellowship.

Name of Institution	
Name of Specialty	<input type="checkbox"/> Internship <input type="checkbox"/> Residency <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship
City/State/Country	
Attended From:	(M/D/Y)
Attended To:	(M/D/Y)
Name of Institution	
Name of Specialty	<input type="checkbox"/> Internship <input type="checkbox"/> Residency <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship
City/State/Country	
Attended From:	(M/D/Y)
Attended To:	(M/D/Y)
Name of Institution	
Name of Specialty	<input type="checkbox"/> Internship <input type="checkbox"/> Residency <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship
City/State/Country	
Attended From:	(M/D/Y)
Attended To:	(M/D/Y)
Name of Institution	
Name of Specialty	<input type="checkbox"/> Internship <input type="checkbox"/> Residency <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship
City/State/Country	
Attended From:	(M/D/Y)
Attended To:	(M/D/Y)

**SECTION E – COMPETENCY** (All applicants must complete this section) Indicate that, within the three years immediately preceding the application for licensure, you have met **ONE** of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I have been in the active practice of the profession of medicine and surgery in some other state, a territory, the District of Columbia, or Canada for a period of one year.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I have had at least one year of approved graduate medical education.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I have completed continuing medical education.</b> <u>Submit proof of attendance at continuing education, as well as information about the content for Board approval. *See below*</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I have completed a refresher course in medicine and surgery.</b> <u>Submit proof of attendance at a refresher course, as well as information about the content for Board approval. *See below*</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I have completed a special purposes examination.</b> <u>Have your score sent directly to this office for Board approval. *See below*</u>

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**SECTION F - PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES** (All applicants must complete this section) List in chronological order all of your medical activities for the last ten years, or since graduation from medical college if less than ten years ago to present. Also list all periods of non-professional activity or employment for periods of non-medical activity of more than three months. Please account for all time and explain all gaps of more than three months. (Attach additional pages if necessary). This information must be completed below. **Do not attach CV or other work history forms.**

From: Month/Year		To: Month/Year	
Name of Facility			
City/State/Country			
Activity			
From: Month/Year		To: Month/Year	
Name of Facility			
City/State/Country			
Activity			
From: Month/Year		To: Month/Year	
Name of Facility			
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City/State/Country			
Activity			
From: Month/Year		To: Month/Year	
Name of Facility			
City/State/Country			
Activity			

**SECTION G – CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES REGISTRATION** (Check one that applies)

1		I have enclosed a photocopy of my current Federal Controlled Substances Registration.
		Federal Controlled Substances Registration #:      Expiration Date:
2		I am currently applying for a Federal Controlled Substances Registration, and will send a photocopy of such when I receive the registration.
3		I do not have nor am I applying for a Federal Controlled Substances Registration and I will not be prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances in Nebraska. I understand that at such time that I do intend to prescribe, administer or dispense controlled substances in Nebraska, I will first need to have a Federal Controlled Substances Registration issued to me. At that time, I am to supply a photocopy of the registration to the State of Nebraska.

**SECTION H – LICENSURE IN OTHER STATE** (All applicants must complete this section)

Have you ever been licensed as a physician, physician in training license/permit, educational or residency license/permit or any other license or permit allowing you to practice medicine in another state or jurisdiction?

☐ YES☐ NO

List all other states, jurisdictions, or territories of the U.S. where you have been or are currently licensed, including license number, issue date, and expiration date. (Include educational training/permit licenses). Attach list if needed.

State	License #	Issue Date	Expiration Date

**SECTION I – CONVICTION AND LICENSURE INFORMATION** (All applicants must complete this section) Failure to disclose any such conviction or disciplinary action, regardless of when the action occurred, could result in disciplinary action, include, but not limited to, payment of a civil penalty.

Answer the following questions either yes or no by placing a (✓) in the appropriate box. **All 'yes' responses MUST be explained in detail and you must submit the requested documentation (see pages 8 & 9 of application).** Additional documentation may be requested by the Board/Department after submission of initial information.

**Section I**

1	Have you ever had any disciplinary or adverse action imposed against a professional license or permit in any state or jurisdiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Have you ever voluntarily surrendered or voluntarily limited in any way a license or permit issued to you by a licensing or disciplinary authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	Have you ever been requested to appear before any licensing agency?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
4	Have you ever been notified of any charges, complaints or other actions filed against you by any licensing or disciplinary authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
5	Are you aware of any pending disciplinary actions or of any on-going investigations of a complaint against your license or permit in any jurisdiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
6	Have you ever been asked to and/or permitted to withdraw an application for licensure or permit with any Board or jurisdiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
7	Has any state or jurisdiction refused to issue, refused to renew or denied you a license or permit to practice?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**Section II**

1	Are you currently, or have you ever been, addicted to, dependent upon or chronically impaired by alcohol, narcotics, barbiturates, or other drugs which may cause physical and/or psychological dependence?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Within the past 5 years, have you received any therapy/treatment or been admitted to any hospital or other in-patient care facility for reasons relating to your use/abuse of alcohol, narcotics, barbiturates, or other drugs?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	Do you currently, or have you ever had, any physical, mental, or emotional condition which impaired, or does impair your ability to practice your health care profession safely and competently?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
4	Within the past 5 years, has any licensing agency or credentialing organization initiated any inquiry into your physical, mental or emotional health?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**SECTION I (CONTINUED) – CONVICTION AND LICENSURE INFORMATION** (All applicants must complete this section)  
**Failure to disclose any such conviction or disciplinary action, regardless of when the action occurred, could result in disciplinary action, include, but not limited to, payment of a civil penalty.**

Answer the following questions either yes or no by placing a (✓) in the appropriate box. **All 'yes' responses MUST be explained in detail and you must submit the requested documentation (see pages 8 & 9 of application).** Additional documentation may be requested by the Board/Department after submission of initial information.

**Section III**

1	Have you ever been restricted, suspended, terminated, requested to voluntarily resign, placed on probation, counseled, received a warning or been subject to any remedial or disciplinary action during medical school or postgraduate training?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Have you ever had hospital or institutional privileges denied, reduced, restricted, suspended, revoked, terminated or placed on probation?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	Have you ever voluntarily resigned or suspended your hospital or institutional privileges while under investigation from a hospital, clinic, institution, or other medically related employment?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
4	Have you ever been notified that any action against your hospital or institutional privileges is pending or proposed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
5	Have you ever been allowed to withdraw your staff privileges from a hospital or institution?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
6	Have you ever been subject to staff disciplinary action or non-renewal of an employment contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**Section IV**

1	Have you ever been convicted of a felony? <b>Failure to disclose any such convictions regardless of when the conviction occurred could result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to a minimum of \$500 civil fine.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor? <b>Failure to disclose any such convictions regardless of when the conviction occurred could result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to a minimum of \$500 civil fine.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	Have you ever been notified of any charges, complaints or other actions filed against you by any criminal prosecution authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**Section V**

1	Have you ever been denied a Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Registration or state controlled substances registration?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Have you ever been called before any licensing agency or lawful authority concerned with DEA controlled substances?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	Have you ever surrendered your state or federal controlled substances registration?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
4	Have you ever had your state or federal controlled substances registration restricted or disciplined in any way?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**Section VI**

1	Have you ever been notified of any professional liability claim that resulted in an adverse judgment, settlement, or award, including settlements made prior to suit in which the patient releases any professional liability claim against the applicant?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	Are you aware of any professional liability claims currently pending against you?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**SECTION J – PRACTICE PRIOR TO CREDENTIAL** (All applicants must complete this section) An individual who practices prior to issuance of a credential is subject to assessment of an Administrative Penalty of \$10 per day up to \$1,000, or such other action as provided in the statutes and regulations governing the credential.

1	I have practiced as a physician/osteopathic physician & surgeon in Nebraska before issuance of the Nebraska license.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	<p>If yes, what are the actual number of days you practiced in Nebraska and what is the business name, location and telephone number of the practice:</p> <p><i>Students of medicine and surgery enrolled in an accredited college of medicine who gratuitously practice medicine and surgery under the supervision of a licensed physician are exempt from needing a Permit or License in the State of Nebraska, pursuant to <u>Neb. Rev. Stat. 38-2025(4)</u>. Once an individual has graduated from medical school, however, a Permit or License is required in the State of Nebraska in order to practice medicine and surgery. The question above, therefore, refers to the time since you have graduated from medical school until such time as you have received a Permit or License to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Nebraska.</i></p>	<p># of days: _____</p> <p>Name of Business: _____</p> <p>City: _____</p> <p>Telephone #: _____</p>	

**SECTION K – ATTESTATION** (All applicants must complete this section)

**Lawful Presence in the United States Attestation:** For the purpose of complying with Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-129, I attest as follows:

**Please check only one of the boxes below:**

- ☐ I am a citizen of the United States; or
- ☐ I am an alien lawfully admitted into the United States who is eligible for a credential under the Uniform Credentialing Act; or
- ☐ I am a non-immigrant lawfully present in the United States who is eligible for a credential under the Uniform Credentialing Act.

**Alien or Non-Immigrant Status:** If you are a qualified alien lawfully admitted into the United States OR a non-immigrant lawfully present in the United States, you must submit evidence of lawful presence which may include a copy of:

1. A “Green Card” otherwise known as a Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551), both front and back of the card; or
2. An unexpired foreign passport with an unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp bearing the same name as the passport; or
3. A document showing an Alien Registration Number (“A#”), an Employment Authorization Card/Document is **NOT** acceptable; or
4. A Form I-94 (Arrival-Departure Record).

If you are an Alien or Non-Immigrant, your credential will **NOT** be issued until such proof is received by our office and your documents are verified by our office through the Department of Homeland Security. This process may take four to six weeks.

**Criminal Background Check Notification:** Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-131, an applicant for an initial license to practice a profession which is authorized to prescribe controlled substances shall be subject to a criminal background check. I understand that I am able to receive any national criminal history record that may pertain to me directly from the FBI, pursuant to 28 CFR Sections 16.30-16.34, and that I could then freely disclose any such information to whomever I choose. By signing this application, it is my intent to authorize the dissemination of any national criminal history record that may pertain to me to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) with whom I am applying for licensure. I understand that I am entitled to challenge the accuracy and completeness of any information contained in any such report, and that you will provide me a copy of the criminal history background report, if any, you receive on me if I appear at the DHHS in person and present proper identification. Information on how to challenge your federal report can be found at FBI.gov. To challenge your Nebraska state record, contact the Nebraska State Patrol-Criminal Identification Division. I may obtain a prompt determination as to the validity of my challenge before you make a final decision about my application for licensure.

**Application Attestation:** I further attest that:

1. I have read the application or have had the application read to me;
2. All statements on the application are true and complete; and
3. I am of good character.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** In order for your application to be considered complete, all applicants **MUST** also submit a copy of the following documents:

1. ☐ **Age:** Evidence of at least 19 years of age (i.e.: driver's license, birth certificate, marriage license, school transcript, US State ID card, Military ID, or similar documentation);
2. ☐ **Citizenship, lawful permanent residence, and/or immigration status** Information: You must submit a **copy** of at least one of the following documents:
  - (1) A U.S. Passport (unexpired or expired);
  - (2) A birth certificate issued by a state, county, municipal authority or outlying possession of the United States bearing an official seal;
  - (3) An American Indian Card (I-872);
  - (4) A Certificate of Naturalization (N-550 or N-570);
  - (5) A Certificate of Citizenship (N-560 or N-561);
  - (6) Certification of Report of Birth (DS-1350);
  - (7) A Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America (FS-240);
  - (8) Certification of Birth Abroad (FS-545 or DS-1350);
  - (9) A United States Citizen Identification Card (I-197 or I-179);
  - (10) A Northern Mariana Card (I-873);
  - (11) An Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551, otherwise known as a "Green Card");
  - (12) An unexpired foreign passport with an unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp bearing the same name as the passport;
  - (13) A document showing an Alien Registration Number ("A#"); or
  - (14) A Form I-94 (Arrival-Departure Record);
3. ☐ **Education:** Your medical school (U.S. or Canadian) must submit an official school transcript. Foreign medical graduates must have your school fill out the Foreign Medical College Form attached to this application (documents not written in English must be accompanied by an official English translation);
4. ☐ **Examination:** Official Score Reports sent directly to our office from the entity indicated:

**USMLE and FLEX** contact FSMB at (817) 868-4041 website at [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org)  
**NBME** (215) 590-9700 website at <http://www.nbme.org>  
**NBOME** (773) 714-0622 website at [www.nbome.org](http://www.nbome.org)  
**LMCC** (613) 521-6012  
**State Board Examination:** Contact appropriate State Board
5. ☐ **Foreign medical graduates:** MUST have ECFMG send an official verification of their **permanent ECFMG Certificate that is valid indefinitely directly to our office** (the ECFMG phone number is 215-386-5900 and the website is [www.ECFMG.org](http://www.ECFMG.org))
6. ☐ **Post-graduate medical education:** A Certificate of Post-Graduate Medical Education form (attached) must be completed by the Program Director. U.S. or Canadian graduates must show successful completion of at least one year of postgraduate medical education in the U.S. or Canada. Foreign graduates must show at least three years of postgraduate medical education in the U.S. or Canada or approved graduate medical education. Documents not written in English must be accompanied by an official English translation. **Post-Graduate Medical Education Certification forms must be sent to the Department directly from the program. They will not be accepted if sent in with the application.**
7. ☐ **Licensure in other States:** Direct source verification/certification of any physician training/permit/license that you hold or have held is required. You will need to request that each state or jurisdiction send a verification/certification of your license directly to our office
8. ☐ **Conviction Information:** If you have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, you must submit:
  - a. A copy of the court record, which includes charges and disposition;
  - b. Explanation from the applicant of the events leading to the conviction (what, when, where, why) and a summary of actions you have taken to address the behaviors/actions related to the convictions;
  - c. All addiction/mental health evaluations and proof of treatment, if the conviction involved a drug and/or alcohol related offense and if treatment was obtained and/or required; and
  - d. A letter from the probation officer addressing probationary conditions and current status, if you are currently on probation.



9. ☐ **Professional Liability (Malpractice) Information:**

If You Answered YES To Section VI Question #1: **Indicate the total number of claims you have had which resulted in:**

- a. an adverse judgment against you;
- b. a settlement made on your behalf, including those made prior to suit in which the patient released any professional liability claim against you;
- c. an award was required or made by you or on your behalf.

Submit a **detailed explanation of each claim to include the following:**

1. Name, sex and age of patient
2. Date of occurrence
3. Initial event (procedure/diagnosis)
4. Subsequent event that precipitated the claim – include the time sequence in relation to the initial event
5. Damages – a description of damages or alleged damages resulting from the initial and subsequent events
6. Date of filing of malpractice claim in court (if applicable)
7. Outcome of claim – include the court disposition, whether or not the case was settled, and the amount of any monetary settlement or judgment made on your behalf.
8. Date of final outcome of claim.

If You Answered YES To Section VI Question #2: **Indicate the total number of malpractice claims that are currently pending against you.** Submit the following for each pending claim:

- a. A **detailed explanation** of the claim to include the information as outlined above, numbers 1-6;
- b. Copies of the court documents that outline the **statement of charges** (often called the “Complaint”);
- c. **Letter from the attorney** stating the current status of the claim.

10. ☐ **Disciplinary Action:** If you have had any disciplinary actions taken against your credential, you must submit a copy of the disciplinary action(s), including charges and disposition.

11. ☐ **Fee:** The required fee - see chart below. Depending on **issuance** of the license, additional fees may be required. Money order and checks need to be made payable to: Nebraska Licensure Unit.

YEAR	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Even	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$300	\$300	\$300
Odd	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300